

**VILLAGE OF INDIAN HEAD PARK, ILLINOIS
201 Acacia Drive
Indian Head Park, Illinois 60525**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

May 12, 2016

“Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2.06(3) minutes of the public meetings shall include, but need not be limited to a general description of all matters proposed, discussed, or decided and a record of the votes taken.”

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Tom Hinshaw

The regular meeting of the Village of Indian Head Park Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, May 12, 2016 at the Municipal Facility, 201 Acacia Drive and was convened at 7:32 p.m. by Mayor Hinshaw.

ROLL CALL: Laurie Scheer, Village Clerk

PRESENT (and constituting a quorum):

Trustee Wittenberg
Trustee Farrell Mayer
Trustee O’Laughlin
Trustee Lopez

ABSENT:

Trustee Mann
Trustee Metz

ALSO PRESENT:

John DuRocher, Village Administrator
Maureen Garcia, Treasurer
Patrick Brankin, Counsel, Schain, Banks, Kenny & Schwartz
Edward Santen, Public Works Superintendent

RESIDENTS – 14

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE recited

MAYOR'S REPORT:

A special thank you to Sergeant Clendening for his 33 years of service with the Village of Indian Head Police Department. Trustee Wittenberg shared a letter of appreciation from the Village. Administrator DuRocher presented Sergeant Clendening with a token of appreciation.

There will be a Regional Health, Wellness and Safety festival Saturday, June 11th from 5 pm to 9 pm at the MAX, 4750 S. Vernon Ave., McCook, IL. 100+ exhibitors, cooking, fitness demos, kid zone and a food court. This information is on our website and we have printed flyers on the table up front.

Argelia Garbacz will be starting Monday in the Village office as our new accountant.

An update on the Law Enforcement Activity in the Village from last week. If you have signed up for code red with the link on our web site you would have received reports to your phone, text and/or email. A quick plug for our future Village web site, you will soon be able to sign up for notifications and updates on various categories our web site.

On Thursday of last week, May 5th, a portion of Wolf Road was shut down in the Village for about 4 hours by our Police Department. The road closure was to assist the Federal Bureau of Investigation and several other government agencies in conducting a raid on a Wolf Road residence as part of an ongoing FBI investigation. Several arrests were made as part of this raid. Wolf road was shut down to provide for maximum public safety. In total, approximately 75 law enforcement persons representing at least 16 government agencies or bureaus and Village officials were on the scene last week. We will provide additional information as it becomes available.

The Village staff, the board and I have heard from many residents about our new water rates. I know our mistake on the date and the Service Period on the bill did not help, especially since this was the first bill with the new rates.

Like you, I am not thrilled about having to pay more, but the board and I did not want to kick the problem down the road any further. We have an aging water system infrastructure, our Village is about 50 years old and 80% of our water mains are over 40 years old. Water mains are meant to last about 50 years. On the table we have the break map detailing the water main breaks over the years. You can see on that break map that we have a few new water mains, and you can see we have many more water mains to replace. Each break can cost the Village between \$3,000 and \$10,000. We also have the water capital plan and the presentation from the last town hall meeting.

We have a serious problem that was not fully addressed by prior boards. In simple terms, we have about 14 miles of water mains that are over 40 years old. The cost to

replace a water main is about a million dollars a mile, so we have about \$14,000,000 needed in the next 10 to 20 years. With the increased rate, we expect to generate about \$350,000 a year years, so by doing the math, in 10 years we will have generated about \$3,500,000 and that is only a part of what we need. None of us up here were happy with a rate increase, and we discussed options and many ideas, but again we felt that we needed to take action now, before the situation got any worse. As part of the planning we looked at several different water and sewer rate increase scenarios and adopted a structure that we believe to be fair for all. We started talking about this issue in the fall of 2013, we had several town hall meetings and it was discussed at many Village meeting over the last couple of years. This was not an easy decision for any of us. You will be able to tell us your thoughts and views later in the meeting at audience comments.

Lastly, we had our water meter replacement kickoff meeting earlier today.

Updates and a time line soon to be released.

MOTION TO APPROVE APRIL 14, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED moved by Trustee Lopez seconded by Trustee Wittenberg. Motion carried by roll call vote (4-0-0). Trustees Lopez, Wittenberg, Farrell-Mayer, and O'Laughlin yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent.

MOTION TO APPROVE PAYABLES FOR THE PERIOD ENDING APRIL 30, 2016 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$140,771.64 moved by Trustee O'Laughlin and seconded by Trustee Farrell-Mayer. Motion carried by roll call vote (4-0-0). Trustees Lopez, Wittenberg, Farrell-Mayer, and O'Laughlin yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent.

MOTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING MARCH 31, 2016 Trustee O'Laughlin and seconded by Trustee Lopez. Motion carried by roll call vote (4-0-0). Trustees Lopez, Wittenberg, Farrell-Mayer, and O'Laughlin yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None

NEW BUSINESS AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. MOTION TO APPOINT ROBERT CERVENKA AS CHIEF OF POLICE RESOLUTION R5-16-01** moved by Trustee Wittenberg, seconded by Trustee O'Laughlin. Administrator DuRocher recapped the selection process for the position. Mr. Cervenka introduced himself to the Village. Motion carried by roll call vote (4-0-0). Trustees Lopez, Wittenberg, Farrell-Mayer, and O'Laughlin yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent. Mr. Cervenka was sworn in as the Chief of Police for the Village of Indian Head Park, Illinois.

- B. MOTION TO AWARD LIQUOR LICENSE ORDINANCE #2016-09 (an Ordinance amending Schedule B of Section 5.08.050 Entitled Number of Licenses of Chapter 5.08 Entitled Alcohol Liquor Sales of Indian Head Park Municipal Code).** Trustee Wittenberg, seconded by Trustee Lopez. Motion carried by roll call vote (4-0-0). Trustees Lopez, Wittenberg, Farrell-Mayer, and O'Laughlin yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent.
- C. MOTION TO AWARD GAMING LICENSE ORDINANCE #2016-10 (an Ordinance amending the provisions of Title 5 Business License and Regulations Chapter 5.24 Video Gaming Subchapter 5.24.220 Number of Licenses of the Municipal Code of Indian Head Park to increase the number of maximum video gaming location licenses and the maximum number of video gaming terminal licenses).** A representative of Cardinal Restaurant Group introduced the business and what they will be offering to their patrons. Moved by Trustee O'Laughlin, seconded by Trustee Farrell-Mayer. Motion carried by roll call vote (4-0-0). Trustees Lopez, Wittenberg, Farrell-Mayer, and O'Laughlin yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent.
- D. MOTION TO APPROVE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2016-11 (an Ordinance making the Appropriations for General Corporate and for Special Purposes for the Village of Indian Head Park for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2016 and ending April 30, 2017).** Village Administrator DuRocher recapped the hearing held in April, 2016 regarding the Ordinance. Moved by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Trustee Wittenberg. Motion carried by roll call vote (4-0-0). Trustees Lopez, Wittenberg, Farrell-Mayer, and O'Laughlin yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent.
- E. MOTION TO REFER THE ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF CHANGING THE R1 ZONING REQUIREMENT ALLOWABLE VARIANCE FROM 90% TO 75%.** Moved by Trustee Farrell-Mayer, seconded by Trustee Wittenberg. Motion carried by voice vote (4-0-0). Trustees Lopez, Wittenberg, Farrell-Mayer, and O'Laughlin yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent.

REPORTS:

A. TRUSTEES-

- a. *Trustee Lopez- Website updates ongoing, looking for a final launch at the end of September.*
- b. *Trustee O'Laughlin Car show meeting at Wolf's Head Inn May 18th.*

c. *May P&Z meeting was cancelled.*

B. VILLAGE CLERK: *Laurie Scheer - No Report*

C. TREASURER'S REPORT: *Maureen Garcia - No Report*

D. ATTORNEY REPORT: *Patrick Brankin No Report*

E. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: *Mr. DuRocher -*

a. *Lyons Township Intern Program*

b. *ComEd is offering free trees to our residents*

STAFF REPORTS:

A. Ed Santen *Public Works* – Layne has pulled the pump at well #3.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

One resident complemented the Public Works Department (Ed Santen) as to a job well done on a recent water issue.

Another resident asked about improving traffic signage in Acacia. He also asked specifically about the reason for the increase in the water rates. His question was addressed.

Motion to Close Open Session and Enter into Closed Session Pursuant to Illinois Statutes to Discuss the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Employees of the Public Body or Legal Counsel of the Public Body Specifically 5 ILCS 120 Section 2(c)(1) and Pending Litigation 5 ILCS 120 Section 2(c)(11) at 8:30 p.m. moved by Trustee Farrell-Mayer, seconded by Trustee Wittenberg. Motion carried by roll call vote (4-0-0). Trustees Farrell Mayer, O’Laughlin, Wittenberg and Lopez voted yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent.

Return to Open Session Roll Call at 9:16 p.m.

Present:

Trustee Wittenberg

Trustee O’Laughlin

Trustee Lopez

Trustee Farrell-Mayer

Trustees Metz, Mann Absent

Motion to Adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:17 p.m. moved by Trustee Farrell Mayer, seconded by Trustee Metz. Motion carried by voice vote (4-0-0). Trustees Farrell Mayer, Wittenberg, O'Laughlin, and Lopez voted yes. Trustees Metz and Mann absent.

Submitted by Laurie Scheer, Village Clerk